

ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to a parking brake lever of a vehicle. The parking brake comprises a supporting member adapted to be fixed to a frame of the vehicle and provided with a ratchet portion; a parking brake lever mounted on the supporting member and oscillatable between a braked position and a released position; a braking pawl oscillatably mounted on the parking brake lever and engaging with the ratchet portion to prevent the parking brake lever from oscillating when the parking brake lever is in its braked position; a toothed member having a first toothed segment and a second toothed segment and oscillatably mounted on the parking brake lever; a tension-adjusting pawl adapted to engage with the first toothed segment and oscillatably mounted on the parking brake lever; a position-locking pawl adapted to engage with the second toothed segment and having a guided member; a spool having a cable fixing portion where a parking brake cable is fixed and fixed to the toothed member; and a guiding means having a first guiding segment and a second guiding segment along which the guided member of the position-locking pawl is guided.

The position-locking pawl is oscillatably mounted on the supporting member. The guided member is guided along the first guiding segment while the parking brake lever oscillates over a predetermined degree from the released position.

The position-locking pawl engages with the second toothed segment to prevent the toothed member and the spool from rotating while the guided member is guided along the first guiding segment during oscillation of the parking brake lever to the released position from the braked position.